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Title of Invention: APPARATUS FOR PRACTICING BASEBALL BATTING Enclosed are:

A specification and 1 claim.

Four (4) sheets of formal drawings (Fig. 1-4).

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